

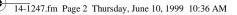
Cat. No. 14-1247 OWNER'S MANUAL

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#### **FEATURES**

Your Optimus lightweight SCP-106 portable AM/FM Stereo Cassette Player includes a built-in AM/FM radio, stereo headphones, and amplified speakers.

Its features include:

Lightweight Headphones — let you listen in privacy and comfort with cushioned ear pads.

Mini Speaker System — lets you share the sound from the cassette player or radio wherever you go.

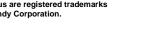
Auto Stop — automatically stops playback at the end of a tape to protect tape-handling parts.

Extended Bass — enhances your music's bass sound.

 $\textbf{FM Stereo Indicator} \ -- \ \text{lets you know when you} \\$ have tuned-in to a radio station's stereo broadcast.

Automatic Frequency Control Circuit — helps lock FM tuning for drift-free reception.

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## **PREPARATION**

You can power your SCP-106 with any of three power sources:

- · two AA batteries
- standard AC power (with an optional AC adapter)
- vehicle battery power (with an optional DC adapter)



#### **INSTALLING BATTERIES**

You can power your SCP-106 with two AA batteries (not supplied). For the best performance and longest life, we recommend RadioShack alkaline batteries.

#### Cautions:

- Use only fresh batteries of the required size and recommended type.
- Do not mix old and new batteries, different types of batteries (standard, alkaline, or rechargeable), or rechargeable batteries of different capacities.

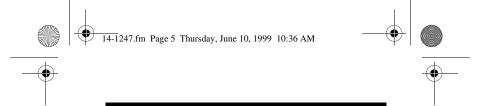




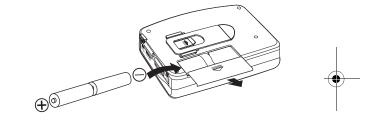








- 1. Slide the battery compartment cover in the direction of the arrow to remove it.
- 2. Place the batteries in the compartment (and on top of the attached ribbon), as indicated by the polarity symbols (+ and –) marked inside.



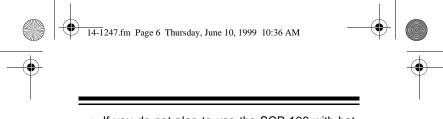
3. Replace the cover.

When the sound becomes distorted or weak, or the SCP-106 stops operating properly, replace the batteries.

#### Cautions:

• Dispose of old batteries promptly and properly. Do not burn or bury them.





If you do not plan to use the SCP-106 with batteries for a week or more, remove the batteries.
 Batteries can leak chemicals that can destroy electronic parts.

# **USING AC POWER**

You can power the SCP-106 from an AC outlet using an AC adapter (not supplied), such as RadioShack Cat. No. 273-1654.

#### Cautions:

You must use a Class 2 power source that supplies 3 volts DC power and delivers at least 300 mA. Its center tip must be set to positive, and its plug must fit the DC 3V jack. The recommended adapter meets these specifications. Using an adapter that does not meet these specifications could damage the SCP-106 or the adapter.

 Always plug the AC adapter to the SCP-106 before plugging it in to the AC outlet, and unplug the adapter from the AC outlet before unplugging it from the SCP-106.



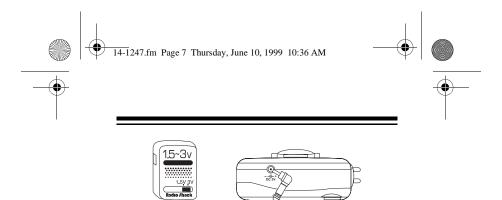




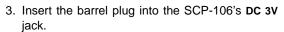






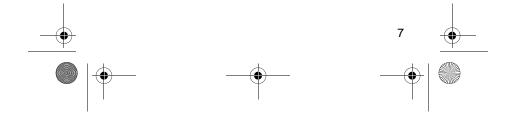


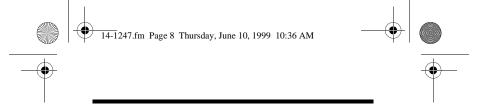
- 1. Set the AC adapter's voltage switch to 3V.
- Attach the 3.0 mm outer diameter/1.1 mm inner diameter barrel plug (with the tip set to positive (+)) to the adapter's cord.



4. Plug the other end of the AC adapter into a standard AC socket.

**Note:** Internal batteries (if installed) automatically disconnect when you connect the AC adapter.

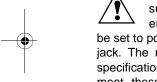




#### **USING DC POWER**

You can power the SCP-106 from a vehicle's battery, using a DC adapter (not supplied), such as Cat. No. 273-1810.

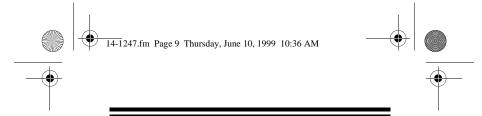
#### Cautions:



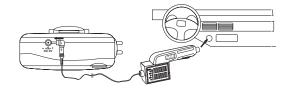
You must use a power source that supplies 3 volts DC power and delivers at least 300 mA. Its center tip must be set to positive, and its plug must fit the DC 3V jack. The recommended adapter meets these specifications. Using an adapter that does not meet these specifications could damage the SCP-106 or the adapter.

 Always connect the DC adapter to the SCP-106 before plugging it in to the cigarette-lighter socket, and unplug the adapter from the cigarette-lighter socket before unplugging it from the SCP-106.



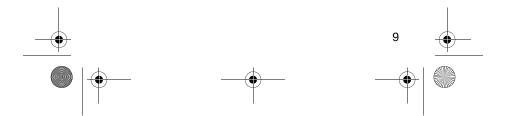


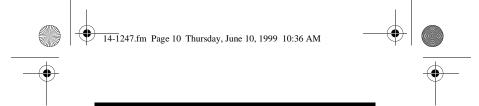
Follow these steps to power the SCP-106 from your vehicle's battery.



- 1. Set the DC adapter's voltage switch to 3V.
- Attach the 3.0 mm outer diameter/1.1 mm inner diameter barrel plug with the tip set to positive (+) to the adapter's cord.
- 3. Insert the barrel plug into the SCP-106's **DC 3V** jack.
- 4. Plug the other end of the DC adapter into the vehicle's cigarette-lighter socket.

**Note:** Internal batteries (if installed) automatically disconnect when you connect the DC adapter.



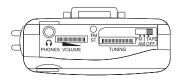


## CONNECTING HEADPHONES/ SPEAKERS

To listen to the SCP-106, you must connect the supplied stereo headphones, or the supplied amplified speakers with a  $^{1}/_{8}$ -inch (3.5-mm) stereo plug.

Insert the headphones' or amplified speakers' stereo plug into the SCP-106's **PHONES**  $\Omega$  jack.







## **Listening Safely**

To protect your hearing, follow these guidelines when you use headphones.

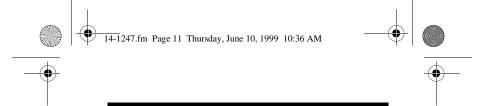
 Set the volume to the lowest setting before you begin listening. After you begin listening, adjust the volume to a comfortable level.









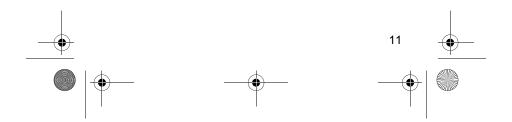


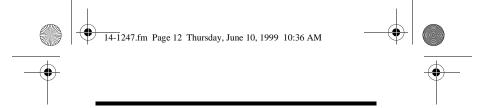
- Do not listen at extremely high volume levels.
  Extended high-volume listening can lead to permanent hearing loss.
- Once you set the volume, do not increase it.
  Over time, your ears adapt to the volume level, so a volume level that does not cause discomfort might still damage your hearing.



Do not wear headphones while operating a motor vehicle or riding a bicycle. This can create a traffic hazard and could be illegal in some areas. Even though some headphones let you hear some outside sounds when listening at normal volume levels, they still can present a traffic hazard.

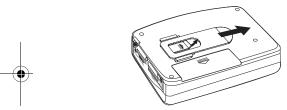


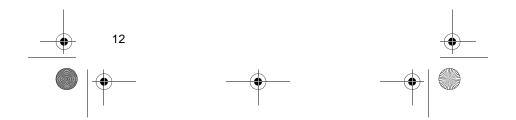




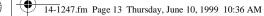
# **USING THE BELT CLIP**

To remove the belt clip, lift up the tab and slide it off in the direction of the arrow. To attach the belt clip, slide it into the slots on the back of the SCP-106 and push up until it latches in place.







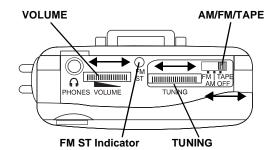




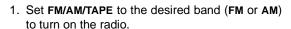




# **RADIO OPERATION**





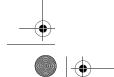




2. Turn **TUNING** to select the desired station.

#### Notes:

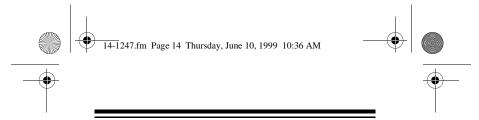
- The AM antenna is built-in. Rotate the cassette player to improve AM reception. For the best FM reception, fully extend the headphones' or amplified speakers' cord.
- FM ST lights when the SCP-106 receives an FM broadcast in stereo.
- 3. Adjust **VOLUME** to the desired listening level.



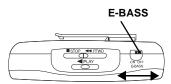








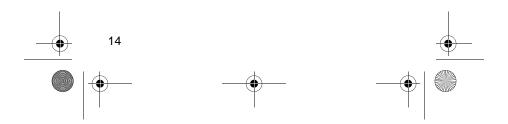
4. Set **E-BASS** to **ON** for an enhanced bass effect, or to **OFF** for normal bass sound.

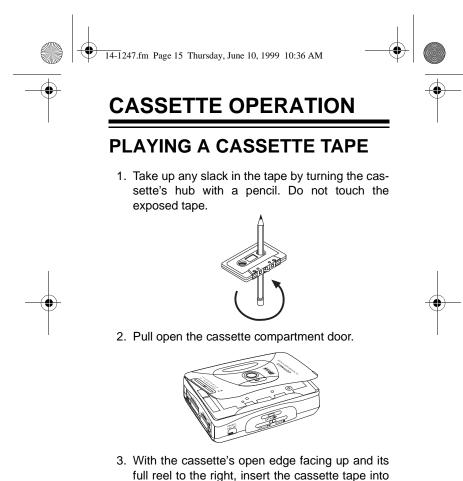


5. To turn off the radio, set **FM/AM/TAPE** to **TAPE**.

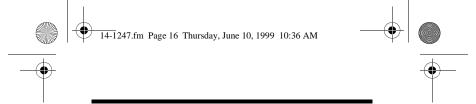








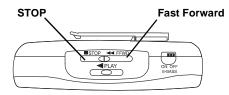
the cassette guides.



- 4. Close the door.
- 5. Set FM/AM/TAPE to TAPE.
- 6. Press PLAY until it clicks. The cassette tape begins to play.
- 7. Adjust **VOLUME** to the desired listening level.
- 8. Set E-BASS to ON for an enhanced bass effect, or to OFF for normal bass sound.
- 9. The tape automatically stops when it reaches the end. To stop it sooner, press STOP.



#### **USING FAST FORWARD**



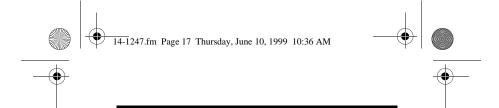
To fast-forward the tape, press F.FWD. The tape fastforwards until you press STOP or the tape reaches its end.











To rewind the cassette tape, turn the cassette over and fast-forward it.

**Note:** To avoid damaging the SCP-106 or the cassette tape, always press **STOP** to release **F.FWD** when the tape reaches its end and before switching from **PLAY** to **F.FWD**, or from **F.FWD** to **PLAY**.

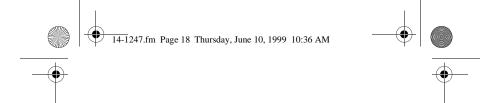


#### **TAPE TIPS**

#### **Tape Quality**

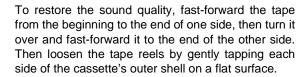
For the best performance, use only regular length (60- or 90-minute) cassette tapes. We do not recommend long-playing cassette tapes, such as C-120s, because they are extremely thin and can easily tangle in the playback mechanism.



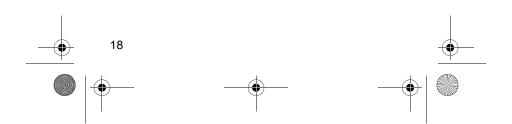


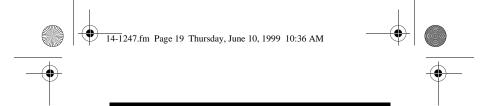
# Restoring Tape Tension and Sound Quality

After you play a cassette tape several times, the tape might become tightly wound on the reels. This can cause playback sound quality to deteriorate.



**Caution:** Be careful not to damage the cassette when tapping it. Do not touch the exposed tape or allow any sharp objects near the cassette.



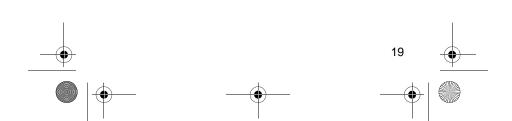


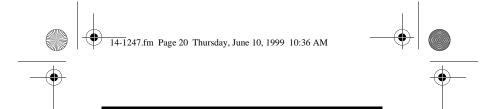
# **Cleaning the Tape-Handling Parts**

Dirt, dust or particles of the tape's coating can accumulate on the tape heads and other parts that the tape touches. This can greatly reduce the performance of the cassette player. After every 20 hours of tape player operation, follow these steps to clean the tape-handling parts or use a RadioShack cassette deck cleaning kit.

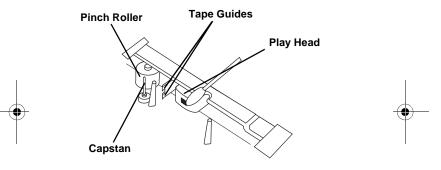


- 1. Remove the batteries and disconnect any other power source.
- 2. Open the cassette compartment door.
- 3. Press PLAY to expose the tape-handling parts.



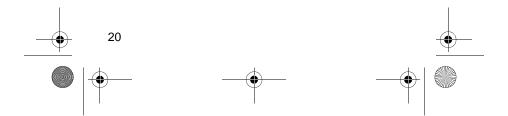


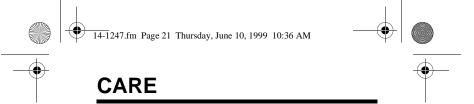
4. Use a cotton swab dipped in denatured alcohol or tape head cleaning solution to clean the tape guides, play head, pinch roller, and capstan.



5. When you finish cleaning, press **STOP** and close the cassette compartment door.

**Note:** Your local RadioShack store has a complete line of cassette player cleaning supplies.

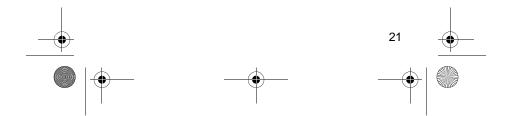




To enjoy your cassette player system for a long time:

- Keep the system dry. If it gets wet, wipe it dry immediately.
- Use and store the system only in normal temperature environments.
- Handle the system gently and carefully. Don't drop it.
- Keep the system away from dust and dirt.
- Wipe the system with a damp cloth occasionally to keep it looking new.

Modifying or tampering with the cassette player's internal components can cause a malfunction and might invalidate its warranty and void your FCC authorization to operate it. If your cassette player is not performing as it should, take it to your local RadioShack store for assistance.









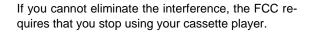


# **FCC INFORMATION**



Your cassette player might cause TV or radio interference even when it is operating properly. To determine whether your cassette player is causing the interference, turn off your cassette player. If the interference goes away, your cassette player is causing it. Try to eliminate the interference by:

- moving your cassette player away from the receiver
- connecting your cassette player to an outlet that is on a different electrical circuit from the receiver
- contacting your local RadioShack store for help

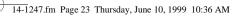


















# **SPECIFICATIONS**

GENERAL	
Power Requirements	2 AA Batteries (3 V DC)
	AC Adapter (not supplied)
	DC Adapter (not supplied)
Dimensions (HWD)	$5 \times 3^{3/16} \times 1^{3/16}$ Inches
	$(126 \times 87 \times 36 \text{ mm})$
Weight	8.3 oz
-	(235 g)
RADIO	, -,
Frequency Range	FM 88–108 MHz
	AM 530-1710 kHz
CASSETTE PLAYER	
Tana System	1-Track

Tape System	4-Track
Stereo Tape Speed	8 in/sec
Wow and Flutter	

#### **SPEAKERS**

Dimensions (HWD)	$3^{1/4} \times 2^{11/16} \times 2^{5/8}$ Inches
	$(82 \times 69 \times 67 \text{ mm})$
	3.75 oz
	(106.55 g)
Size	2 <sup>1</sup> /16 Inches
	(52 mm)
Impedance	8 Ohms
Size	(106.55 g) 2 <sup>1</sup> /16 Inches (52 mm)

Specifications are typical; individual units might vary. Specifications are subject to change and improvement without notice.













